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GEO. O. SCOTT,
Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

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Notices of Firms.

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MR. RANDALL HOWELL PYE retires from our Firm, his INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY having ceased on the 15th instant.

THE PARTNERS in our Firm now are MR. JAMESON ELLES and MR. JOHN GRATTAN CASS.

MR. JAMES CURRIE ELLES and MR. FRANCIS CASS are authorized to sign for Procurement.

ELLES & CO.

Amoy, October 17, 1881.

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NOTICE

M. R. F. D. BUSH is hereby authorized to sign our Firm for Procurement.

RUSSELL & CO.

China, September 22, 1881.

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NOTICE

I HAVE THIS DAY ESTABLISHED myself as MERCHANT and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT, under the style of HERBERT DENT & CO.

HERBERT F. DENT.

Canton, September 1, 1881.

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NOTICE

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their GOODS by Messrs KYNOH & CO., of WITTON near BIRMINGHAM.

MEYER & CO.

Hongkong, August 13, 1881.

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NOTICE

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Pints.....\$17 per 2 doz. "

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GOOD Clean COKE, \$11 per Ton.

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Hongkong, September 30, 1881.

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LADIES' DRESSES, complete but unmade.

LADIES' COSTUMES, ready-made.

VARIOUS KINDS of MATERIALS for LADIES' DRESSES.

An Assortment of FLOWERS for LADIES' BONNETS and HATS.

BLACK and BROWN VELVETENS, &c., &c.

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Hongkong, October 6, 1881.

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FRIDAY,

the 21st October, 1881, at 2 p.m., at his Sale Rooms, Pedder's Wharf,—

A Selection of JAPANESE WARE

Purchased and Selected at the Great Exhibition held at UZURO, TOKIO, this year,

consisting of—

SHIZUOGA WICKERWORK WARE, KAGA KURANI, SATAMA, AICHI, KEN, OWARI, OKAYAMA, MIYE KEN, ENAMEL and BAMBOO WARE, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, previous to sale.

TERMS.—Cash on delivery.

G. R. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, October 15, 1881.

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DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has returned to Hongkong, and he will now remain here permanently.

Hongkong, July 21, 1881.

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NOTICE

THE Foreign Trade of China during 1880.

Short Journeys in Sz Ch'uan.

The Double Nail Murders.

The "In-Fu" Classic; or, Olje to the Unseen.

Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Notes and Queries.—

Ts Ch'an of Cheng.

Lions and Beasts; A Strange Story.

The Levirate in China.

The Primitive Codification of Chinese Law.

A Clipping from the Tao Chuan.

Housewives.

Human Sacrifices.

Insect-War.

A Chinese Feuditure (中華).

The Japanese make a raid on Chekiang.

Bengal K'lin.

Giraffes and Zebras sent as Tribute.

An Imperial Settlement of the Term Question.

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Fine ISIGNY BUTTER
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Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
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BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

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At WHOLESALE PRICES.
200 kegs Fine American FISHING
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25 " American SPIKES, 4 inches to
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TOMATOES, Corned BEEF, Condensed
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FRUITES for Ices.
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EF'S COCOA.
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French PLUMES.
PATE DE FOIE GRAS.
SARDINES.
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SOUPS, &c., &c.
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EX AMERICAN MAIL.
Eastern and California CHEESE.
Boneless CODFISH.
Prime HAMS and BACON.
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POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, SYRIAN PORTS, NAPLES,
MARSEILLE, PORTS OF BRAZIL,
AND LA PLATA;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 6, 1881. 6p32

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CAPITAL, £2,000,000.

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for the above Company, are prepared
to grant Policies against FIRE, or
any Merchandise in the same, at Current
Rates. RISKS on First Class Godowns
Reduced to 6% net premium per annum
from this date.

Catalogues and value of Packages are re-
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For further particulars, apply at the
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G. de CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 7, 1881. 6p24

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TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS
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VIA
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AND
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address in full; and same will be received at
the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the
day previous to sailing.

A REDUCTION of 25% made on all
RETURN PASSAGE ORDERS issued.

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Cargo, should be sent to the Company's
Offices addressed to the Collector of Customs,
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For further information as to Freight
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Company, No. 50a, Queen's Road Central,
CHAS. H. HASWELL, Jr.,
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Hongkong, October 13, 1881. 6p29

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Hongkong, December 6, 1879.

SAILORS HOME.

NY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS,
or PAPERS will be thankfully received
at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SHANGAI.

The Steamship
"Thale,"

Captain Darwells, will be
despatched for the above

Port TO-MORROW, the 21st Instant, at
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despatched for the above

Ports on TUESDAY, the 25th Instant, at
Daylight.

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SATURDAY, the 4th November, at 10 a.m.

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handsome sum by the transfer to East Point, Kowloon, Stanley, Saiman, or any other suitable suburban site. Whether or not the proposal concerning the new defence of the Island will have any definite influence upon his question, is not at all known for certain; but it is not at all unlikely that the new scheme of defence referred to will materially affect the Colony generally. It has been recommended, so it is said, to defend the Island on the Aberdeen side, as was advocated in these columns several years ago; and in the event of fortifications being erected on any of the higher south-west levels, the demand for a high-level tramway might become much greater, and the prospect of success much brighter, than it is now. These are, of course, mere surmises, although as such they are not altogether unworthy of being recorded.

The recent gal at Shanghai lost nothing of its force by the time the news of it reached New York. The London special of the *Herald* wrote on Sept. 14th:

According to advice received at Plymouth a fearful typhoon had visited Shanghai, driving over two hundred vessels, of all nationalities, on shore, uprooting trees and leveling with the ground lines of houses. During the storm, which lasted barely an hour, over ten inches of rain fell. Hundreds of native sampans sank with their occupants. About £500,000 worth of tea stored for shipment was washed away and lost. A portion of the Salter's Home was blown away.

The death is recorded in the last American papers to hand of Captain K. R. Breese, of the United States Navy. Captain Breese was born in Philadelphia, April 14, 1831, and was appointed midshipman in 1846. He had considerable active service from 1852 to 1861, was in both the Japanese and Paraguayan expeditions, and also served on the coast of Africa and the Mosquito coast. During the civil war he was first attached to the Port Royal flotilla and participated in the attack on New Orleans and Vicksburg, and for his gallant services was promoted in 1862 to Lieutenant-Commander. In 1864 he was promoted to Captain and recently had command of the *Pocahontas*, the flagship of the Pacific squadron, from which he was lately detached at his own request, on account of ill-health.

Sixty of the Japanese boys of San Francisco have established a home for mutual aid and improvement at No. 122 Tyler street, where members of the organization can procure board and lodgings at a nominal cost when out of employment, and attend evening classes. The society is known as the "Japanese Young Men's Christian Association," and was founded by members of Rev. Otto Gleeson's Japanese Mission, who did not enjoy being sent to the strict tenets of the Methodist creed, and desired to give others an equal opportunity for free Christian belief. Mr. Keijo, the young Japanese artist, is the President of the Association, and Mr. and Mrs. Matsugaya, the Japanese Consul and his wife, with other prominent Japanese, as well as several San Francisco ladies, are honorary members, assisting by their contributions to support and carry on the work. The front room of the Home is prettily carpeted and neatly furnished as a study and audience-room, with specimens of Caucasian and Japanese art on the walls, a little cabinet organ, a well-stocked book-case and many decorative trifles. On the different evenings of the week free classes in English literature and grammar, sacred history, writing and mathematics, kindly taught by volunteer teachers, are held, and on Saturday evenings religious services are conducted. Many of the Japanese boys employed as house servants throughout the city belong to good families at home, and come to this country for purposes of education, when finding the expense of living so largely in excess of what they are accustomed to and ill-suited to their slender incomes, they seek places as servants until they become more familiar with the language and can better their condition. Three of them have recently stepped from the kitchen to college, two of them entering Eastern universities of high repute, and one becoming a student at the Golden Gate Academy.

Mr Armstrong, King Kalakaua's Attorney General, arrived at New York on September 10th. He says:—"The King will soon arrive here. He will stay two weeks in the Eastern States and then go to Virginia, Kentucky and San Francisco. On October 22nd he will sail from San Francisco for his Kingdom. The King was much surprised at the grandeur, power and wealth of England, but was most pleased with the great display that was made over him in Japan."

The Tribune, referring to the Armstrong interview, says:—"It appears that the current rumour of the design to feed the King's domain of Hawaii with cheap Chinamen is officially denied. It is announced that there are no Chinamen in Hawaii than those who wanted there, which seems to be true. Of most of the countries, including China, the Hindoo-labouring classes are pronounced inferior even to the Chinese. The people finding the most favor in the eyes of Kalakaua and his advisers seem to have been the emigrating class among the Portuguese."

Says a San Francisco paper:—"The sentence in the test case of one of the 69 Chinese fan-tan players captured over the Ning Sing low restaurant was continued to Thursday in Judge Robinson's court to-day. A verdict of guilty will be returned in all the other cases, when one of them will be taken before the Supreme Court."

The Chinese anger manifested at Cairns has received from Hongkong through Mr. Berrington a quantity of machinery for cotton spinning and manufacture, and the same amount has been contracted for a sugar mill from Messrs. Parker & Co., Maryborough, Victoria, which arrived at Cairns, about a month ago. Cotton is being sent for the past few days, and will hold the appointment until orders arrive from Portugal.

LOSS OF THE "GERALDINE PAGET."

We regret to hear that the British ship *Geraldine Paget*, Capt. Stephen Wilkinson, which arrived here on September 14th, with coal from New South Wales (Sydney date, June 28th), and left here on the 29th ult. for Portland, Oregon, in fact, became a total wreck on the Pratas on Friday last, having gone ashore about 11 a.m. All on board, except one crew man, (an European, all told) and they have suffered here this morning, by junks, after a treat of great hardship. Some of them were able to bring nothing with them more than what they stood in

matter of inquiry, why our flag is not often seen in Siamese waters."—*New York Shipping Register*.

This Government Resident of the Northern Territory forwarded his annual report from which it appears that the revenue of the Territory for the year ending 30th June, 1881, was £22,000. The Chinese population is now upwards of 3,000, and the European miners are only sixty-six on the gold-fields. The gold exported for the year amounted to no less than 28,000 ounces. The few reefs at work are turning out well, but until the wet season comes in October, no crullings will take place. There is a good demand for pastoral land, the applicants being principally Queensland squatters. The opinion of the merchants in Palmerston was that if the Bill for restricting Chinese labour applied to the Northern Territory, the revenue would be bound to decline, for the statistics of population showed that the bulk of the gold was raised by Chinese and that there were very few Europeans left.

Tim Africa, the Russian flagship now lying in this port, (*San Francisco*) reports that in the United States Arctic relief steamer *Rodgers* arrived at Petrovsky on the 20th of July. It is stated that the *Rodgers* had taken on board a complete outfit for Arctic sea service, consisting of dogs, sledges, furs, signals, furs, clothing, etc., and left for St. Michaels on July 25th, at which point the dogs and sledges were to be put into requisition. From the same source it is learned that the Russian war vessel *Strelka*, commanded by Captain De Levren, left for the Arctic under orders of the Russian Government, to render all assistance to the *Rodgers* in her search for the *Junkete*, if any should be required, though the exact route taken by the Russian war vessel is not known; it is the general impression that she would follow the wake of the expedition, and afterwards take the independent course of following instructions given to her. All on board of the latter vessel are reported to excellent health and a sufficient termination of their mission.—*Atta California*, Sept. 4.

The *Bombay Gazette* of the 13th September has the following paragraph regarding the mission of Maha Tootal to India:

There is a good deal of unnecessary, or at least premature, uneasiness amongst those interested in the Indian opium trade with China at the visit of the Chinese gentleman who arrived the other day at Simla, and whom the merchants' apprehensions of interference with their trade have credited with being an Envoy from the Chinese Government, sent here with a view to inducing the Viceroy and Government of India to permit of increased taxation being levied on Indian opium, and the Chinese Treaty ports. It is held that the merchants interested in the trade have addressed or are about to address, the Viceroy on the subject, protesting against any change being made in the existing rules, and in accordance with the Chinese Convention, and pointing out that the object of the Chinese Government is, not, as is pretended, to restrict the use of opium in the country, but to foster the cultivation of the homegrown drug, the annual yield of which even now exceeds the total exports from India, and which, if the Indian drug were driven out of the market by prohibitive duties, would be grown to a much greater extent, with the result, of course that the Chinese Government would receive a largely increased revenue from the already very lucrative source. But there appears to be no real danger. It is stated from Simla, where the "Envoy" had arrived and had been accorded an interview with the Viceroy before this statement was made, that he is not an Envoy at all in the proper diplomatic sense of the term, but is merely the Private Secretary of Li Hung Chang, Viceroy of the province of Chihli, and has come to India to pick up information about the opium trade, rather than to make representations on behalf of the Chinese Government. The Viceroy before this statement was made, that he is not an Envoy at all in the proper diplomatic sense of the term, but is merely the Private Secretary of Li Hung Chang, Viceroy of the province of Chihli, and has come to India to pick up information about the opium trade, rather than to make representations on behalf of the Chinese Government. The Viceroy before this statement was made, that he is not an Envoy at all in the proper diplomatic sense of the term, but is merely the Private Secretary of Li Hung Chang, Viceroy of the province of Chihli, and has come to India to pick up information about the opium trade, rather than to make representations on behalf of the Chinese Government.

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No. 6.—Chun Tai Li said she resided at Yantze-ki-ti. She identified No. 1 body as that of her uncle, master of a water boat. No. 2.—Inspector Cameron said No. 2 body had not been identified. He had made enquiries, but was unable to produce any further evidence.

No. 3.—Ng Tai Mai identified this body as that of Ng Alku, 39 years of age, wife of Lei Tsui Chuk. Witness knew nothing of how she came by her death. The boat belonging to deceased's husband was partially broken up in last Friday night's gale. Inspector Cameron said he had not been able to find out anything about Nos. 4, 5 and 7.

No. 6.—Chun Tai Li said this body as that of Chan Ying Tai, 19 years of age. Deceased was his daughter. There were on board, on the 14th, witness, his wife, daughter-in-law, a boatman, and deceased. The boat was on that night smashed against a rock, and turned up. All on board were thrown into the water. Witness dived clear of the boat, and on coming up he felt for bodies. He found his wife and took her on shore, then returned and brought his daughter-in-law, could not find deceased when he returned for her. The boatman saved himself. The boat was smashed some yards from the shore. All on board were thrown into the water. Witness dived clear of the boat, and on coming up he felt for bodies. He found his wife and took her on shore, then returned and brought his daughter-in-law, could not find deceased when he returned for her. The boatman saved himself. The boat was smashed some yards from the shore. All on board were thrown into the water. 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THE CHINA REVIEW.

THE widely-expressed regret at the disappearance of *Notes & Queries* on China and Japan has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

The *China Review*, or *Notes and Queries on the Far East*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$6.50 postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Population, &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago and the "Far East" generally, in a more detailed list of subjects which contributions are especially intended is incorporated with each number. Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a résumé in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as are also those queries which though asking for information, furnish new or unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1876, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advancement of Christianity for the development of civilization. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and interesting Review. It is a sixty page, bi-monthly, repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is alone worth the price of the Review. Address *China Review*, Hongkong—Northern Christian Advertiser (U.S.).

Trübner's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the *China Review*:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respect a continuation of *Notes and Queries on China and Japan*, the extinction of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed for years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social development, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, and rendered every channel of publicity, as is now provided extremely desirable, and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs corps, and the missionary body, who are generally represented in the first number of the *Review* by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *Shu King*, by the Rev. E. J. Etiet, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connexion with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-po, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be of use to features of the *Review*, if carried on with judiciousness and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine.

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Visitors' Column.

We have instituted as an experiment a *Visitors' Column*, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful. To it will be relegated from time to time such items of information, lists, tables and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with which we have opened a *SELECT HOTEL AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY*, applications for enrolment into which we are now ready to receive.

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Half-an-Hour, ... 10 cts.

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Nothing in this Scale prevents private agreements.

INTEREST COOLING.

Scale of Hire for Street Coolies.

One Coolie, ... 10 cents.

Two Coolies, ... 12 cts.

One Hour, ... 5 cts.

Half Hour, ... 3 cts.

Nothing in the above Scale to affect private agreements.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHMEN'S BOOKS, for the use

of Officers and Gentlemen, can now

be had at this Office—Price, 40 cents.

China Mail Office.

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised July 1st, 1881.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Papers, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, triple, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets or news may be sent at Book Rate. Printed Patterns must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed or otherwise bound Books, &c., must be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspaper or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copies, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

N.R. means No Registration.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, most foreign possessions in Asia, Africa, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritius, all N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil, Peru, Chile, Venezuela, The Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana, Honduras, Bermudas, Labuan, with all Danish, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Australasian Group, and S. Africa.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, ... 10 cents per ½ oz.

Post Cards, ... 3 cents each.

Registration, ... 10 cents.

Newspapers, ... 2 cents each.

Books, Patterns, &c., ... 2 cents per 2 oz.

Comm. Papers, ... 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Hawaiian Kingdom:—

Letters, ... 10 cents.

Registration, ... None.

Newspapers, ... 2* cents.

Books and Patterns, ... 5* cents.

West Indies (Non Union), ... Bolivia

Cost Rica, Nicaragua,

Letters, ... 30